

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

By this Amendment, without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 31-35 have been amended and claim 46 has been cancelled. No new matter has been added.

Claims 30-45 and 47-57 are currently pending. Claims 30, 36-45, and 47-57 have been indicated by the Examiner as allowable. (Office Action, pg. 2.) Claims 31-35 are solely rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as discussed below.

II. Restriction Requirement

Applicants acknowledge the finality of the Restriction Requirement (Office Action, pg. 2), and have cancelled non-elected claim 46 to place the application in condition for allowance.

III. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 31-35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for use of the phrase "at least one of." (Office Action, pg. 2.) Without narrowing the scope of composition claims 37-40, which expressly recite "[a] pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one compound ...," claims 31-35 have been amended to replace the phrase in question with the language "chosen from."

Accordingly, the rejection is now moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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